

# **COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

#### **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

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November 18, 2008

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

**Dear Supervisors:** 

CHANGES IN WORK FOR PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS
UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES ADJACENT TO THE CITY OF WEST COVINA
AND THE CITIES OF CLAREMONT, COVINA, EL SEGUNDO, GLENDALE,
INDUSTRY, IRWINDALE, LA PUENTE, POMONA, AND WEST COVINA
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 4, AND 5)
(3 VOTES)

#### **SUBJECT**

This action is to approve changes in work and the increased contract amounts for public works construction contracts in the unincorporated communities adjacent to the City of West Covina and the Cities of Claremont, Covina, El Segundo, Glendale, Industry, Irwindale, La Puente, Pomona, and West Covina.

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Find that the requested changes in work have no significant effect on the environment and approve the increased contract amounts and the changes for the following construction contracts:

 Project ID No. TSM0010167 - Irwindale Avenue, et al., to modify and synchronize traffic signals, in the unincorporated communities adjacent to the City of West Covina and the Cities of City of Industry, Irwindale, La Puente, Pomona, Claremont, Covina, and West Covina (1 and 5), Terno, Inc., for variations in bid quantities, cold milling and paving, additional controller hardware, and additional signs, with an increase in the contract amount of \$69,974.96. The Honorable Board of Supervisors November 18, 2008 Page 2

# IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT:

Find that the requested changes in work have no significant effect on the environment and approve the increased contract amount and the changes for the following construction contract:

- Project ID No. FCC0001035 Project No. 3401, El Segundo Pump Station Upgrade, to replace natural gas-fueled engines, retrofit actuators, and make mechanical and electrical modifications, City of El Segundo (4), S. S. Mechanical Corp., for installation of touch screen panels, with an increase in the contract amount of \$8,625.00.
- Project ID No. FCC0001042 Verdugo Wash Invert Repair, to repair a flood control channel invert, City of Glendale (5), Two Horse Construction, for variations in bid quantities, with an increase in the contract amount of \$13,200.00.

# PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain your Board's approval for changes in public works contracts in support of the timely completion of the projects while avoiding delays and the potential for claims. The descriptions of the changes, estimated costs, and the necessary time extensions are listed in the attachment for each contract.

The Acting Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Attached for your ratification is a change in work, which I ordered for Project ID No. FCC0001035.

Also, attached for your authorization are changes in work in excess of my delegated limits, which are required to complete Project ID Nos. TSM0010167 and FCC0001042.

#### Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Service Excellence (Goal 1) and Community Services (Goal 6). Approval of these changes will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and enhance the quality of life in the affected communities.

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#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

These changes in work will have no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated change order amounts for these contracts range from increases of \$8,625.00 to \$69,974.96.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the requested changes. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes, together with contract cost summaries, are included in the attachments.

If these changes in work are not approved, contract completion will be delayed and increased costs incurred.

#### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

Each of the subject contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Acting Director of Public Works or his designee.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The changes in work as described above and in the attachments do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

#### CONTRACTING PROCESS

Each contract provides that the contractor be compensated for the work resulting from changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs are based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the costs of the changes are included in the attachments.

# IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the requested changes by your Board will ensure the timely completion of work under each of the respective contracts and result in complete and usable facilities.

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# CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

DEAN D. EFSTATHIOU

Acting Director of Public Works

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Attachments (3)

c: Chief Executive Office (Lari Sheehan)

**County Counsel** 

Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

# CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE) November 18, 2008

PROJECT ID NO. TSM0010167 - IRWINDALE AVENUE, ET AL. (in the unincorporated communities adjacent to the City of West Covina and the Cities of City of Industry, Irwindale, La Puente, Pomona, Claremont, Covina, and West Covina), Supervisorial Districts 1 and 5, Contractor: Terno, Inc.

#### **Project Description:**

Modification and synchronization of traffic signals.

#### Changes in Work:

(1)	Variations in Bid Quantities	\$ 50,504.96
(2)	Cold Mill and Repave	8,855.00
(3)	Signal Controller Modifications	1,615.00
(4)	Install Signs	9,000.00
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	Total	\$ <u>69,974.96</u>

## **Description of Changes:**

- (1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.
- (2) To comply with City of Covina requirements, a 700-square-foot section of pavement near the intersection of Citrus Avenue and Cypress Avenue will be cold milled and paved. This work is needed to repair areas of pavement where potholing was performed.
- (3) Additional hardware will be installed in the signal controller cabinet at Sunset and Cameron Avenues to operate the fire station signal adjacent to Cameron Avenue. This work is not shown on the plans.
- (4) Additional signs will be installed at the railroad crossing on Irwindale Avenue and Edna Place to inform motorists of the train crossing. This work is not shown on the plans.

A portion of the cost for Item 1 will be based on contract unit prices. The balance of the cost for Item 1 and the costs for Items 2 and 3 were negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications. The cost for Item 4 will be based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

Sixty-two additional working days will be required because of these changes.

#### **Financial Information**:

This project is financed with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority 1999 Call for Projects Proposition C Discretionary Grant Funds for the San Gabriel Valley Forum Improvement Project and County matching funds.

Funding for these changes in work is included in the Fiscal Year 2008-09 Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget.

#### **Revised Contract Amount:**

Original contract amount	\$1,204,228.00
Changes in work previously approved	
by your Board	18,613.85
Changes in work to be authorized	<u>69,974.96</u>
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Revised contract amount	\$ <u>1,292,816.81</u>

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# CHANGE IN WORK (RATIFY) November 18, 2008

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0001035 - PROJECT NO. 3401, EL SEGUNDO PUMP STATION UPGRADE (City of El Segundo), Supervisorial District 4, Contractor: S. S. Mechanical Corp.

# **Project Description:**

Replacement of three natural gas-fueled engines, retrofit of three ball valve actuators, mechanical and electrical modifications, and other appurtenant work.

#### Change in Work:

Install touch screen panels

\$8,625.00

# **Description of Change:**

New touch screen panels will be installed in the pump station controllers to bring the system up to current industry standards. This work is not shown on the plans. The cost for this change was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

Ten additional working days will be required because of this change.

#### Financial Information:

Funding for this change in work is included in the Flood Control District Budget for Fiscal Year 2008-09.

#### **Revised Contract Amount:**

Original contract amount	\$2,449,000.00
Change in work to be ratified	8,625.00
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Revised contract amount	\$2,457,625.00

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# CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE) November 18, 2008

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0001042 - VERDUGO WASH INVERT REPAIR (City of Glendale), Supervisorial District 5, Contractor: Two Horse Construction

#### **Project Description:**

Repair of a flood control channel invert.

#### Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities

\$13,200.00

# Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes will be based on contract unit prices.

Five additional working days will be required because of these changes.

#### Financial Information:

Funding for these changes in work is included in the Flood Control District Budget for Fiscal Year 2008-09.

#### **Revised Contract Amount:**

Original contract amount	\$65,420.00
Changes in work to be authorized	<u>13,200.00</u>

Revised contract amount \$78,620.00

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